

# Main Road 92 Upgrade, Nowra to Nerriga

## September 2007 Update

### Stage one construction

The first stage of the \$80 million upgrade of Main Road 92 has been completed by contractor Cut and Fill Pty Ltd and the 24 kilometre section from Hames Road to Morton National Park is open to traffic.

### Stage two construction

The second stage of the upgrade between Nowra and Nerriga has been awarded to Nace Civil Engineering Pty Ltd. The contract value is \$22.5 million.

This contract will widen, realign and seal nine kilometres of the existing gravel road from 44 kilometres west of Hames Road (near the Touga Road junction) to Nerriga.

This stage of the upgrade also includes the construction of:

- A new 60 metre long, four span concrete bridge near Bulee Gap.
- Several high retaining walls along the steeply graded Bulee Mountain section.
- A large fauna underpass designed to allow koalas and other wildlife to cross the road safely just east of the Endrick River.

Construction is expected to commence next month. Indigenous heritage and archival photographic recording in the Bulee Mountain heritage area has been completed in advance of the work. Rock anchoring, which involved a partial closure of the road near Bulee Gap, has also been completed.

### Other works in progress

Detailed design of the remaining 20 kilometre section of the upgrade, from Morton National Park to Billy's Hill is progressing well. This section will include retaining structures for the steep grade on the eastern approach to Sassafras.

### Changes to road conditions

Motorists are advised to drive carefully on the remaining sections of gravel road as utility adjustments are incomplete and the road conditions vary. Particular care should be taken in wet weather as unsealed sections of the road can become slippery.

For current road conditions see [www.rta.nsw.gov.au/trafficreports](http://www.rta.nsw.gov.au/trafficreports)